

WYATT SHAKESPEAR: My name is Wyatt Shakespear. I am an environmental engineer with Canyon Fuel Company Sufco Mine, and I will address the impacts to wildlife and grazing. Mining companies often go above and beyond what is required by regulation in order to benefit wildlife grazing as well as other stakeholders. I have been intimately involved with special projects funded in part or in full by Canyon Coal Company. Coal mines have operated in south central Utah for decades. Our mines have exemplified being a good neighbor by partnering with private landowners, local companies, and organizations, cattlemen associations, the Forest Service and special interest groups associated with wildlife to fund a variety of projects including the purchase and installation of wildlife guzzlers, spring development projects, livestock water delivery systems in arid rangelands, sage grouse habitat improvement projects, improved aquatic habitat. We partnered in improving the structure of a reservoir and by doing so we increased water retention time and depth, benefiting the fish population. We've funded road improvements, helped provide for increased recreational opportunities by constructing campsites and the improved fishing at a nearby reservoir. We also with the Forest Service partner to provide for a special needs fishing day where special needs children and adults are able to fish with assistance and enjoy a nice lunch, and we're proud of being a part of activities like this. Without contributions from Canyon Fuel Company many of these projects would not happen simply because of expense. Our company has received state and federal awards or recognitions for our contributions to a number of the earlier stated projects which were done above and beyond regulations. In closing, coal mining provides responsible stewardship of our federal lands, benefiting wildlife grazing as well as other stakeholders. Thank you.